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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Technical Services & Support Group  
THROUGH : Chief, Research & Engineering Division, TSSG  
SUBJECT : Request for Comments on Independent R&D Program for FY-70  
with [REDACTED]

1. RED has reviewed the subject proposal as requested with the following results:

<u>Program Tasks</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Stabilized Optics	2
Film Processing	6
Remote Sensing	0
New Product Research	0

Although we are considerably interested in optics, the stabilization problems do not relate to our current work areas. The only reason for any expression of interest is a generic interest in optics per se. We are, of course, interested in film processing; however, from the little information given in the proposal, I would anticipate that we probably are further ahead in our knowledge of systems such as dry silver, free radical, diazo, and Kalvar than is the contractor.

2. We were asked to give our appraisal of the technical content of the proposed effort. This is extremely difficult to do since the proposal really has little or no technical content. By this I mean it only says what they intend to investigate. They give no background and no indication of how they intend to proceed. This is not necessarily unusual in a broad, level-of-effort contract such as the one suggested here. However, the proposal really has no meaning. The only thing that counts in this type of arrangement is the integrity of the contractor. As a consequence, we feel that no technical evaluation on our part would be meaningful.

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Deputy Chief,  
Research & Engineering Division

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